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1. DURING MARCH 10 VISIT TO COL. JAIME SUAREZ, DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION, SUAREZ TOLD COMATT THAT AWARD FOR DESIGN STUDIES OF FOUR AIRPORTS HAD BEEN MADE TO BRITISH FIRM SIR FREDERICK SNOW, BUT THAT CONTRACT HAS NOT YET BEEN SIGNED. SUAREZ SAID CONTRACT DETAILS ARE BEING EXAMINED BY VARIOUS GOE AGENCIES, AND IT IS OUR IMPRESSION THAT THERE IS DELAY IN SIGNATURE DUE TO SOME AS-YET UNDETERMINED IRREGULARITIES IN CONTRACT.

2. SUAREZ ALSO COMMENTED THAT THERE WAS UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT RELATING TO ONE U.S. BIDDER FOR DESIGN STUDIES. U.S. FIRM, WHOSE NAME HE COULD NOT RECALL AT THE TIME, HAD BEEN QUALIFIED, BUT LOCAL AGENT HAD ARRIVED AT 4:20 P.M. ON DEADLINE DATE TO PRESENT PROPOSAL. SINCE GOE ADHERES STRICTLY TO 4:00 P.M. DEADLINE, PROPOSAL WAS REJECTED. ACCORDING TO SUAREZ, AGENT GAVE SOME FEEBLE EXCUSE SUCH AS NOT HAVING BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT U.S. FIRM INVOLVED WAS SPEAS HARRIS AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT INC., AND THAT LOCAL AGENT IS WILSON GRANJA AVALOS.

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